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FRANCIS JACKSON.—I have seen in the New-York Standard an article on the same subject, signed D. W. J. It is strictly incorrect, but I believe they are sufficiently answered, ed, by what have heard. F. J.

* The ticket was temperature and "liberty party" named.

From the Washington Correspondent of the New-York American, FEBRUARY IN BRIEF OF COLORED SEAMEN.

Among the petitions presented yesterday, was one from the colored men of New York, (not in the vessel,) signed, I am told, by more than ninety of the most wealthy and respectable shipping merchants and firms in that city, (among whom are the Great Western, the Atlantic, the New-York, &c.) asking that some provision might be made for the colored men of the same standing) praying Congress to grant them "protection for their services." The question of recognizing colored men as soldiers in the army, or of Representatives refusing to receive the petition of the merchants of New-York for "free trade and slave-trade," was not mentioned.

Will you convey to the grounds of this insulating outrage against the first right of the people, by their principal organ, the New-York Tribune? The paper represented that certain American sailors, and been seized and imprisoned by the myrmidons of the Emperor of Russia in the harbor of Cronstadt, or of Riga, who were captured in the service of vessels which were of Polish portage, and that their sympathies with a certain portion of the oppressed subjects of that empire, led to their capture, and the peace of the empire. Would there be any person in New-York city for an American representative who had voted, even though the reception of that petition was denied, to receive the petition of the colored men, who should dare himself afraid of "meddling with the peculiar institutions" of our imperial ally? The colored men of New York, in their cause, have one voice, for redress and satisfaction, even if it could be sought by a desperate war with all the powers of Europe combined! No doubt is it but that the colored men of New York, in this petition, in this position, stand at certain seasons of the year, when their business requires them to go to sea, in greater danger than those of the South, they are obliged to man them with crews of a peculiar physical character, especially adapted to the peculiar diseases of that sickly coast. The persons who go to sea, when their vessels enter those southern ports, are they bound by the local authorities, and under color of law, to serve in the Russian navy, and be sent back to Russia, and impounded on shore. They call the Congress of the United States to provide a remedy for this outrage, and the colored men of New York, in this position, stand at certain seasons of the year, when their business requires them to go to sea, in greater danger than those of the South, they are obliged to man them with crews of a peculiar physical character, especially adapted to the peculiar diseases of that sickly coast.

THE RIGHT OF PETITION.

At a numerous meeting of citizens of Rochester, at all parties held, at the National Hotel, on Saturday evening, Dr. W. D. Burges, of Quincy, was elected president, who was chosen to represent the colored men of the Union, and to go to Washington to present their cause.

Resolved, That the right of petition is invaluable, and that the colored men of the Union, in their cause, have a right to it, and that they may exercise it.

Resolved, That the undignified and threatening language and conduct of certain members of Congress, in their opposition to the right of petition, is highly derogatory to the moral feelings and institutions, and deserve the severest reprehension.

The meeting was adjourned, and adjourned to meet again, on Friday, January 20, at the same place, at half past seven o'clock p.m.

What "incomes and incendaries" the merchants of New-York have become! They ought to consider themselves so happy in being permitted to profit by the miseries of others, that they have no time to consider the rights of the colored men of the Union, without encroaching on their peculiar institutions.

As for this pretended right of petition, it will be seen, in the course of the present article, that it is a mere fiction, according to the principles of strict construction, and the obvious clause from the Constitution.

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS, the author of un-

derstanding, has been compelled to admit that the protection of American seamen. The next grand step must be, to trample down the troubles of our countrymen in India and the West Indies, and slave labor in Texas. If so, how is the slave to be protected? Is he to do it? The master must either consent to *labor with his slaves*, or he may give them up. What will he do?

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You can see both sides of my question. I ought to have been a lawyer.

Numerous letters received from Connecticut, expressing the same anxiety as to the highest point of excitement by the recent outrage upon northern rights in the person of the venerable Adams, have been referred, and he has been exonerated, and his honor upheld, and his conduct approved.

More recently letters have come from Massachusetts, expressing the same anxiety as to the conduct of Mr. Adams, while he was in the course of his tour.

THE GOVERNOR OF MASSACHUSETTS.

The following is the address of the Governor of Massachusetts:

TO THE HON. W. C. BROWNELL, SECRETARY OF STATE.

MASSACHUSETTS, Feb. 24, 1842.—Sir:—I have the honor to acknowledge your letter of the 18th instant, and to thank you for your kind inquiry respecting the conduct of my administration.

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Poetry.

For the National Anti-Slavery Standard.

L. V. S.,
Suggested by *Louisburg's* lines, called "The Gold of Life."

Miscellany.

From *Frances F. Faro*, Poet for the *Standard*.

MARY RYAN'S DAUGHTER.

BY MRS. S. C. HALL.

"I never saw any beauty in her, that's the truth; though I'm one of a group of female who, in the progress of a young woman, as she toiled slowly on, with a smile, like a ray of light, a very slight change with her, made her a very slight child."—*The Young Lady's Journal*.
 And she asked, with such mock mirth, for a drink of water; I wonder how she relishes water, after the fine wine that she got used to?" suggested a friend.

"It was for all the world like a story written in a book," observed the friend, "and there was no one even knew exactly who it left it until only now it might be one of the sporting yearlings that has been born about that time. Since the old gentlelady had sold the place, the place was pulled down, we have none of the kind going."

"'And she had the impudence to wear a bright gold ring on her wedding finger, as if she was an honest woman!'"—*The Young Lady's Journal*.
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These are good, though, I suppose, whence you will;—It is a saying, that, when you are young, you are the world; when you are old, you are nothing.

On our heads we rest, when all is still, the lesson lessening, the love divine;

We are the creatures of a heavenly care;

Our lot is not to grieve, but to bear.

To trust—to hope—in life we courage claim—

To strive for truth, but let our courage fail;

Of such few tamer, as calm a balm;

For every wond'ry make, while flashing fire;

We hurl them fearlessly, defying fate,

And consoled that in these rests all their might.

CYCLONE.

Milwaukie, N. Y. Jan. 13, 1842.

ETTY ROVER.

BY E. L.

Then lovely and then happy child,
Ah, how I envy thee!

I should be glad to change our state,
If such a change might be.

And yet it is a singular joy
To watch a thing so fair!

To think that in our weary life,
Such pleasant moments are.

A little monarch thou art there,
And of a fairy realm,
Without a foe to overthrow,
A care to overwhelm.

The world is thy own gladd'ning will,
And in each fresh delight,
And in thy unred heart, which makes
Its own, its golden light.

With no misgivings in thy past,
Thy future with no fear;
The present circles thee around,
An angel's atmosphere.

How little is the happiness
That will content a child;
A favorite dog, a sunny fruit,
A blossom, growing wild.

A word will fill the little heart
With pleasure and with pride;
It is a harsh, a cruel thing,
That such can be deafeid.

And yet how many weary hours
Those joyful creatures know!
They much of sorrow and restraint
They to their children give.

How often from our faults,
How much to our mistakes I
Often, too, mistakes seal
An aforesaid's misery makes!

We weep, we weep, we weep,
We curb and we confine,
And put the heart to school too soon,
To learn our narrow line.

No! only taught by love to love,
Searns childhood's natural task;
Affection, gentleness, and hope,
Are all in brief thy seat.

Enjoy thy happiness, sweet child,
With careless heart and eye;
Enjoy those few bright hours, now,
E'en now, are hunting thy.

And let the gazer on thy face
Glow glad with watching thee,
And better kinder—such, at least,
Influence on me.

THE CUT OF COLD WATER.

BY MARIA W. CHAPMAN.

Drink of this cup! 'tis that which erst
Our pilgrim fathers quaffed,
When here they raised their dwellings first:
There's safety in the draught.

Drink of this cup! 'tis the stream that laved
Old Lethe's failed shore,
From want and misery, never saved
Like that which now we pour.

Drink of this cup! 'tis a charm
Of more than magic worth:
A spell to keep the soul from harm,
A gift from heaven to earth.

Drink of this cup! 'tis virtue strong
To keep the soul so bright,
That angel visitors may throné,
Rejoicing in its light.

Drink of this cup! which temperance brings,
And reaps the immortal gain!
See peace beneath her spreading wings,
And freedom in her train.

Drink of this crystal cup!
Now be the deep of God rise up!
Now in the strength of God rise up!
And keep your votive tokens.

COLOR, NO INDEX OF WORTH.
Goo gave to Africa's sons,
A robe of sable dye,
And spangled colors of their birth,
Boreal's blushing sky;

And with a check of olive, made

The little Hindoo child;

And darkly stait's the forest-tribe.

That roan our western wild.

To me he gave a form

Of fair, white clay—

But am I bound in light,
Resounding to them? They?

—Tis the way of deepest thoughts

He traces in his Book—

—The completeness of the heart

On which he deigns to look.

Not by the tinted cheek,

That fades away so fast,

But by the core of the soul,

We're bound in light, in last,

And God the Judge will look at me,

With anger in his eyes,

If I, my brother's darker brow,

Should dare to look.

I. H. S.

The highest hill, no sorer below the sky;

And so far! the light heart beat below

True Happiness.

Poesia.

NATIONAL ANTI-SLAVERY STANDARD.

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